

# STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING



October 27, 2008

### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Mike Flanagan, Chairman

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution Regarding National Child and Adult Care Food

Program Week

The State Board of Education is being asked to approve a resolution declaring March 15-21, 2009, as National Child and Adult Care Food Program Week.

The Michigan Department of Education administers the Child and Adult Care Food Program. Through an official resolution, the State Board of Education will celebrate and promote the Child and Adult Care Food Program. The celebration is focused on encouraging parents and child care providers to make healthy eating and physical activity decisions for children. The 2009 theme for National Child and Adult Care Food Program Week is "Pleasing the Picky Palate." Research shows that proper nutrition in young children contributes to their physical growth, as well as their intellectual and emotional development.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution regarding the National Child and Adult Care Food Program Week, March 15-21, 2009, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated October 27, 2008.

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#### RESOLUTION

National Child and Adult Care Food Program Week March 15-21, 2009

WHEREAS, education and private agencies around the nation will celebrate National Child and Adult Care Food Program Week from March 15-21, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 theme for National Child and Adult Care Food Program Week, "Pleasing the Picky Palate," presents an excellent opportunity to emphasize research outcomes that proper nutrition in young children not only contributes to their physical growth, but also to their intellectual and emotional development; and

WHEREAS, the Child and Adult Care Food Program has served our nation admirably for more than 30 years through advanced practices and nutrition education; and

WHEREAS, the Child and Adult Care Food Program is dedicated to the health and well-being of our nation's children; and

WHEREAS, the Child and Adult Care Food Program has been joined through the years by many other excellent child nutrition programs; and there is evidence of continued need for nutrition education and awareness of the value of child nutrition programs; and

WHEREAS, more than 166,000 meals were served daily to children, at more than 8,100 sites in Michigan during 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan State Board of Education continues to recognize and takes great pleasure in commending the men and women who accept and meet the daily challenge of providing healthy meals to our children; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the week of March 15-21, 2009 be recognized as NATIONAL CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM WEEK in Michigan; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this week be devoted to the recognition of dedicated, hardworking people who make the Child and Adult Care Food Program a reality in their community; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That this special week serve as a fitting time to urge all Michigan citizens to become aware of the solid foundation for learning provided by a nutritious meal.